



# St. Mary's School, Altona

## Newsletter 2016

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Dear Parents

No. 16 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

We congratulate and pray for the following children who will celebrate their First Reconciliation on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

Gabriel Azzopardi, Grace Azzopardi, Rachel Currie, Cooper DeBono, Gemma Deller, Ava Denys, Zedekiah Didenkowski, Gigi Fantuz, Caitlyn Green, Luke Hale, Kiani Howell, Claire Jones, Samantha Kakoullis, Caitlin Kelly, Noah Ligudzinski, Summer London, Jesse Longaretti-Schreppel, Isabella Merola, Samuel Molinia, Sebastian Molinia, Michael Morda, Harrison Nugent, Eliza Pelns, Jett Porter, Thomas Pye, Lily Sattout, Rafael Umana, Alana Vuleta and Ava Zammit

### SLAPPED CHEEK

We have had a number of children in our junior classes present lately with Slapped cheek. Slapped cheek disease is a viral infection that mainly affects primary-school-aged children. It results from being infected with human parvovirus B19. It causes a bright red rash on the cheeks, which looks as though they have been slapped – hence the name.

- Slapped cheek disease is characterised by bright red cheeks, a cold-like illness and, sometimes, an itchy rash on the torso and limbs.
- It commonly affects primary school children and is not dangerous for most people.
- Pregnant women, people with haemolytic blood disorders and those with compromised immune systems need to see a doctor if exposure to the slapped cheek virus is suspected.

<https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/conditionsandtreatments/slapped-cheek-disease>

### HOMEWORK:

Please click on the link below for the next articles on Homework:

<http://www.teach-nology.com/tutorials/teaching/proandconhomework.html>



### ONLINE BOOKING FOR STUDENT/PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS IS NOW OPEN:

These interviews will take place on **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June from 1.30 – 8.00 pm.** and **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 3.45 – 5.00 pm.** Please go to our school website and click on the “INTERVIEWS” button and put in the code **y5ym8** and select your appointment time/s.

The Student, Parent and Teacher format facilitates dialogue between parent and child. It gives students a chance to showcase their work to their parents and to talk about their achievements and where they need to improve. Obviously the format and depth of the sharing of this information will vary depending on the level your child is in. It is important that all children attend the interview as they will have spent time during class preparing what they are going to share with their parents. We are aware that some of the later times may be difficult for some of our younger students but if that is an issue for you perhaps you could choose an earlier time. It is only one night and it is important that the students are involved.

You will receive your child's mid-year Report on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June.



### NATIONAL BUDDY DAY – 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE

National Buddy Day is an initiative developed by NAB and The Alannah & Madeline Foundation to celebrate friendship and help raise awareness of bullying in Australian primary schools.

‘Banding Together’ means joining forces with a buddy, friend or colleagues on 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Teachers, students and parents can all get involved. At St. Mary's we will celebrate the day by: inviting everyone to wear a SPLASH of PURPLE, having a whole school assembly after lunch at which our Student Wellbeing leaders, Ella and Isabella, will talk to the school community about Being Better Buddies, having class get together with a ‘buddy classes’ to do some fun activities together.

### FOOTY TIPPING:

The jackpot this week is \$20.00. Good Luck!

David Kelly  
PRINCIPAL



## PRINCIPAL AWARDS 30<sup>th</sup> May

PrepHM	Samantha Coghlan
PrepS	William Slattery
Year 1/2HK	Ruby Ramsay
Year 1/2S	Lila Boyd
Year 1/2D	Jourdan Lipic-Kindler
Year 1/2G	Zai Sakdinun
Year 3/4M	Eleanor Bournoxsis
Year 3/4S	Samuel Dowling
Year 3/4VH	Sofia Bitaks
Year 5/6C	Gabrielle Montebello
Year 5/6L	Thomas Kruger
Year 5/6M	Noah Defina



## NORMIE THE GNOME

Normie the Gnome is awarded to the House Team who keeps their part of the yard the cleanest. This week's winner is: **BLUE**

## DOING IT RIGHT: Week 7 Term 2

Thanks to everyone who has been Doing It Right around the school.

Prep S: Ryan

Prep HM: Mark

1/2S: Isabelle, Amber

3/4S: Sam

5/6L: Liam, Aiden, Kane, Kate, Issabella

For walking bikes across the basketball court, helping someone, working nicely in the library, having beautiful manners, handing in money, getting along with others and loads of other great things.



## AUSSIE OF THE MONTH - MAY

**Isabella C** (5/6C) for being a dependable and responsible school leader and learner. Isabella has excellent work habits and consistently adds to the supportive learning environment within the classroom. She is a committed Wellbeing leader who shows initiative and perseverance. She is a positive role-model and is thoughtful and encouraging in her interaction with others. The nature of her friendly, respectful and warm personality make Isabella an asset to St. Mary's.

**Ciara O'C** (3/4VH) for her gentle and polite manner. Ciara always remembers to use her manners. She works hard in class and strives to achieve her best. Ciara is a thoughtful, helpful and considerate class member.

**Xavier A** (Prep S) for being a hard worker who always tries to do his best. Xavier takes great pride in his drawings and colouring. He is kind and a good friend to others.

## IMPORTANT DATES.

7/6	School Education Board Meeting – 7.30pm
8/6	Sacrament of Reconciliation 7-8pm
13/6	Queen's Birthday (Public Holiday)
15/6	Wonder of Living (parent/child session) 6.30-7.30pm
20/6	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences 1.30-8pm
21/6	Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences 3.30-5.30pm
24/6	Family Film Night

## TUCKSHOP HELPERS - Week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> June

Wednesday Cynthia Bitaks

Thursday

Friday

Paula Luppino

Manager: Eva Coppola



## EDUCATION IN FAITH

### RECONCILIATION

Our Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated next Wednesday, 8th June 7pm.

**The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Today we celebrated the Feast Day of

**The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

with a mass for Preps to Yr. 4s.

Thank you to our families and friends who came along and joined their children.

**Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we, who glory in the Heart of your beloved Son and recall the wonders of his love for us, may be worthy to receive an overflowing measure of grace from that fount of heavenly gifts.



Just a reminder about our Yr 3/4S Prayer Assembly on Monday 6th June at 2.40pm

### SOCIAL JUSTICE MESSAGE:

St. Vincent de Paul Society 'Winter Appeal'

Thank-you to everyone who contributed to the school collections of non-perishable food items, blankets and doonas. True mercy in motion.

**Kate Ealem & Tahlia Sepsic**

Social Justice Leaders

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

\* All students who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Penance.

\* All members of our community who are sick or in need of our prayerful support.

**Olive Chodowski – REL**

*"Take fresh courage. Lean more on God and less on ourselves."*

Mary MacKillop, 1877



## SAVE THE DATE

### Movie Night for the parents:

**12<sup>th</sup> August - 7pm screening**

A night filled with lots of fun, laughter and prizes. More information to follow in the coming weeks.



Enchanted Years will be hosting a very special FREE event on Saturday 4th June at 2pm. Lulu Bell author Belinda Murrell & illustrator Serena Geddes will be in store to talk about the Lulu Bell books (reading age 7 years +) AND Belinda will also be talking about her NEW book "The Lost Sapphire" (suitable for ages 9 years +).

This is a FREE event but bookings are recommended. For bookings please call Enchanted Years on 9397 1154.



MSJ Open Mornings – 9.30am – 10.30am (Thursday) 26th May, 16th June, 11th August, 8th September, 10th November 2016 MSJ Musical ~ Anything Goes Come

and see the show on Friday 17th June at 7pm, Saturday 18th June at 12.30pm or 7pm. Caroline Chisholm College Quin Auditorium 204 Churchill Avenue, Braybrook For more information, call 8398 2000, or visit [www.tickethost.com.au](http://www.tickethost.com.au) MSJ Twilight Open Evening – 3pm – 7pm (Thursday) 6th October 2016 Currently Accepting Applications for 2016, 2017 and 2018 Limited places are available for 2016. Further information can be found at our website [www.msj.vic.edu.au](http://www.msj.vic.edu.au) or by contacting the College Registrar at [registrar@msj.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@msj.vic.edu.au) or Ph: 8398 2007.



On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June St. Mary's

Parish

will be celebrating a special Children's Mass at 10.30am.

We would like as many children as possible to be involved in this special celebration.

Tea will be served after Mass, we would appreciate it if you would please bring a plate. Looking forward to seeing you there



**Monthly Holy Hour** All welcome to share in our Holy Hour on **Monday 6 June at 7.30pm** to pray for peace & reconciliation in the world.

Rosary, Exposition and Prayers through the intercession of **ST. PIO** will be followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All Welcome



### Mary MacKillop Foundation 2016

**Fundraising Dinner** – celebrating 150 years of the Sisters of St. Joseph. **Time:** from 7pm with appetisers; **Date:** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2016; **At:** Mount St. Joseph Girls' College, 133 Maidstone St. Altona; **Cost:** \$40pp (3 course meal, BYO drinks); **Tickets:** Call MMHC 99269300.

**RSVP** Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2016. [www.mackillopfoundation.org.au](http://www.mackillopfoundation.org.au) The foundation provides financial support for small life changing projects. There are two kinds of projects that the Foundation Supports: General projects within Australia & Projects in partnership with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders.



### The Annual SVDP Winter Appeal

will be held at all Masses this weekend **4/5 June**. Blankets/Doonas and clothing in good condition are needed (no food items please). Please bring them along this weekend. A Special Collection will be taken to assist the needy of the area. Receipts will be issued if requested and Winter Appeal envelopes will be available at each of the Masses. We thank those parishioners who contribute donations throughout the year in the Poor Boxes. The St. Vincent de Paul Society has been in operation in Victoria for 168 years and continues to assist families and individuals across our Region. Help us to reach out to those in your community who seek our support

### Today's Results from Rd 5 vs Seaholme Primary

Netball	Girls	Won	12 - 11
	Mixed	Lost	1 - 15
Football		Lost	15 - 88
Soccer	Girls	Won	5 - 0
	Mixed	Won	6 - 2
Teeball	Girls	Won	21 - 16
	Mixed	Lost	4 - 14

Well done to the winning teams and all other participants

Next week round 6 vs **Williamstown Nth Primary**

Netball home, T Ball, Soccer & AFL Grant Oval





# Family Movie Night

## "Ice Age: Collision Course"

**Friday June 24th, 7.00pm**  
**Sun Theatre, Ballarat St, Yarraville**

Adult ticket - \$18.00

Child ticket (17 and under) - \$18.00 each (includes small drink & popcorn)

**Cash in envelope to office or book online  
at [www.trybooking.com/LQFK](http://www.trybooking.com/LQFK)**

Purchase tickets by Thursday 17th June for your chance to WIN a Sun Theatre Family movie pass for 4 and a Wyncity \$100 family fun Voucher. Drawn in assembly Monday 20th June.

**School families and friends welcome!**